



# Citizens' Update VI

## Sixth Reporting Period Highlights

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## A Message from Governor Patrick

Almost two years ago, Congress passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to provide much needed funds to guide our nation through the worst recession since the Great Depression.

As the work of the second term begins, our Recovery Act investments will continue to reflect the values and goals of the Patrick-Murray administration – remaining committed to strategic investments focusing on job creation, education, health care, and youth violence prevention.

With the help of the Recovery Act, we have invested in infrastructure to create jobs today, and job training to provide our workforce with skills for jobs of tomorrow. We have also invested in our students, keeping teachers in the classroom at the height of the recession. Our children cannot afford to sit out their education until the economy recovers. And, with the highest score nationally in the Race to the Top Competition, Massachusetts has won even more Recovery Act funds to continue innovative practices in our schools and to ultimately help to close the achievement gap.

We have invested in health care, using increased Medicaid funds from the Recovery Act to ensure that our most vulnerable citizens were cared for during tough times. Moving forward, in the coming weeks and months, we will implement pilot programs to demonstrate new methods for reducing the cost of health care in the Commonwealth and making health insurance as affordable as it is accessible.

With the help of the Recovery Act, we have invested in our youth, providing summer jobs and training opportunities to bring at-risk kids off the streets and out of courtrooms and into workrooms and classrooms. We have not only provided summer jobs for thousands of young people across the Commonwealth, but we have offered them the hope of a second chance and a brighter future.

In this Citizens Update, we bring you success stories, stories of how these investments have worked—for our economy, our infrastructure, and our individual citizens. You will find stories of individuals who without the Recovery Act would have been jobless or homeless. You will find stories of projects that are promoting clean energy and bringing cost savings to our cities and towns. You will see how the Recovery Act has brought real progress to Massachusetts, put our citizens back to work, maintained public services in a time of need, and invested in our future.

The Recovery Act has been a bridge to help us cross over troubled times. We are emerging from these difficult times, inspired and invigorated to move Massachusetts forward. I look forward to working with the people of the Commonwealth to serve our generational responsibility to make Massachusetts a better place. I am certain that with optimism and effort, our best days lie ahead.

Sincerely,



# Recovery Act Impact on Massachusetts

As of December 31, 2010

- **\$7.1 billion in awards** to state agencies
- **88% - \$6.26 billion** of awards **committed** by state agencies
- **88% - \$5.51 billion** of committed awards **spent** by state agencies
  - **\$3.79 billion spent** on direct benefits (Unemployment Insurance, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Medicaid, and other Safety Net Programs)
  - **\$1.72 billion spent** on programs and infrastructure projects through state agencies
- **6,189 full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs** funded by ARRA reported to the federal government between October 1 and December 31, 2010 with an additional 815 FTEs not subject to federal reporting, for a total of **7,005 FTEs for the quarter**
- **21,075** actual individual workers reflected in this quarter's funded FTE count
- **10,538\*** estimated indirect jobs created or retained
- **31,613** estimated total employment impact (21,075 direct and 10,538 indirect)
- **Over 71,000 individuals** received an ARRA funded paycheck between February 17, 2009 and December 31, 2010.

*\* Using a multiplier of 1.5*



## The Recovery Act at Work – Stories of Success

For more information on ARRA projects and programs in Massachusetts, please visit [www.mass.gov/recovery](http://www.mass.gov/recovery).

The stimulus program was enacted to bridge a financial gap and to enable Massachusetts to make significant investments in education, energy, technology, research, public safety, health care, transportation and social services – and above all, in people – in a difficult economic environment. It was an opportunity – to save jobs, to create jobs, to develop innovative programs and to help Massachusetts residents get back on their feet.



Governor Patrick asked the Massachusetts Recovery and Reinvestment Office to see firsthand the impact stimulus has had, and this Citizens' Update aims to share some of the stories of Recovery Act projects and programs and their beneficiaries. What we have seen,



heard and learned is that not only has stimulus kept people working, but it has also inspired many of the recipients to create programs whose impact will be felt well beyond the life of the stimulus program.

In this Citizen's Update, several programs are presented as part of a two-year look back at the impacts of the Recovery program.

Programs like the job training program, Vocational Opportunities in Communication Education (VOICE), that the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind (MCB)

developed to enable visually impaired students to receive hands-on training in MCB's radio studios, will have benefits long after the ARRA program is finished.

This stimulus grant not only provided carpenters, electricians, sound equipment installers and others with jobs but it left a state of the art radio studio to train blind students. It's providing great radio programming as well.

Janet LeBreck, commissioner of the MCB, pointed out that the program "offers individuals who are blind a skill set for job training and job readiness." But Jay Rufo, VOICE's instructor, said it provides its students with more. "Not only do the participants enjoy this but it is

### **Recovery Act Impact: Massachusetts Commission for the Blind**

Independent Living, Senior  
Services: \$778,450

State Independent Living Services:  
\$42,958

Vocational Rehabilitation Services:  
\$1 million

**Total: \$1.9 million**



a confidence builder," he said. "It is amazing. People who couldn't get their feet in the door are now finishing a 60 minute program, editing it and producing it."

YouthBuild, a national job training youth development program, provides young adults who have had few opportunities, with the skills they need to become self sufficient. Stimulus provided YouthBuild programs in Massachusetts with \$2.1 million. The impact of those dollars is direct and observable.



This is evident at YouthBuild Fall River. The organization's stimulus award of \$1.1 million is enabling the agency in this South Coast city to enroll two classes of 34 youth – all of whom have dropped out of high school. "If it wasn't for us, these kids would have nothing to do," Terry Moran, the coordinator of the program said.

These youth will graduate as competent carpenters and trades people with marketable skills and confidence.

**Recovery Act Impact:  
YouthBuild**  
\$2.1 million in funding statewide  
300 youth in MA participated

The program also received a \$100,000 stimulus-funded green capacity grant to develop a green building curriculum that is the basis of the training program. These YouthBuild participants will graduate from the program with nationally recognized credentials and twenty-first century skills.

Providing people with the skills to get a job is an important part of the stimulus program. Nowhere was this more evident than in the Recovery Act's \$124 million weatherization program which not only weatherized more than 8,500 homes across the state, reducing energy bills and keeping people warm, but also provided many out of work laborers with jobs. John Call, a contractor who had been in business since 1978 said that he would have had to close his business if not for the weatherization program which is keeping him and five employees hard at work.

**Recovery Act Impact:  
Weatherization**  
\$124.1 million for  
weatherization services  
  
Over 8,500 families  
living in weatherized  
homes in MA

The weatherization program is also providing retraining in green energy construction, providing people like Russell Rososky with the opportunity to work. Russell said that he had been out of work when he heard about an opening at Springfield Partners for Community Action, which received \$8.3 million in stimulus funds for its weatherization program. Russell received green energy training and is now the utility program coordinator.

As a result of funds coming straight from the federal government, stimulus is also directly funding the future of green energy with grants provided to private companies like Machflow, which has developed a green air conditioning technology that replaces toxic chemicals with gas as the coolant. Another great example of a private company benefitting from stimulus funds is the Premium Power Corporation, which develops low cost, grid scalable batteries that have the capacity to store and retrieve energy. Stimulus funding through state agencies has also energized the state's





solar energy program with 114 new projects, producing not only electricity, but opportunities for the companies that are installing these projects.



Swansea. The plant, which is the first public system of its kind in the state, takes salt water from the Palmer River at low tide when salinity levels are low, removing the salt to produce high quality drinking water and discharging the residue at high tide. It is vital to this seaside town which has experienced chronic water shortages.

Brockton's new wastewater treatment plant also benefited from stimulus funds, as did upgrades to Pittsfield's plant. Pittsfield's Public Works Commissioner Bruce Collingwood said these are the first major upgrades to the plant in nearly 40 years and that the improvements



could result in an average energy reduction of approximately 75 percent.

All of the work in Swansea, Brockton and Pittsfield is being done by private construction contractors in an industry that has been particularly hard hit by this recession.

Perhaps even more significantly, these stimulus-funded projects are ensuring that companies like P. Gioioso & Sons – which is reconstructing Framingham's sewer system as well as working on four other stimulus-funded construction projects – can stay in business. The 50-year old company was in danger of closing down but is now employing 30 people.

The Recovery Act is also funding research that will have a tremendous impact on the future of this country in terms of energy efficiency, fighting disease and technological advancement.

Improving our environment has been a significant goal of the program over the last two years. Clean water and drinking water projects are great examples of this and the stimulus program helped fund 110 of these projects – like the desalination plant that is being built in

#### **ARRA Impact: Non-state Recipients**

- Nearly \$80 million for construction at 8 community health centers across the state
- \$25 million for state of the art wind technology testing center
- \$990 million in research grants to MA technology and research institutions from the National Institutes of Health – second highest in the nation
- \$45.4 million in broadband funding will expand high-speed internet access across Western and North Central Massachusetts



In an effort to help individuals secure job training and employment skills, the stimulus program also provided increased funding to career centers across the state – enabling them to provide job seekers with incredible services and training at a time when they need it most. This is apparent, for example, at the Greater New Bedford Career Center. Maria Grace, the Center’s manager, said the stimulus funds ensured that there was no cut off of services and no wait list -- a relief to all of its clients. She said that this gave her and her staff the ability to be creative, something that she said was crucial in this recession in which career centers are seeing clients with a much larger range of skills than was typical. “We were able to offer people programs to get certification and to learn other skills,” Maria said.



These stimulus-funded programs also helped individuals like Christopher Moniz, a father of two who was laid off. Christopher, a former truck driver, got his Commercial Driver's License through the career center and is now gainfully employed.

Of course, there are those who continue to struggle and stimulus has made itself felt there as well. Across the state, stimulus has provided funds to anti-poverty agencies to help these organizations in their efforts to help others. At the North Shore Community Action Program, a stimulus grant of \$1.1 million is preventing homelessness and providing financial counseling and afterschool programs, among other services. At the South Shore Community Action Council, Pat Daly, the executive director, says her agency has served over 26,000 people over the past year.

At Lynn Economic Opportunity (LEO), an anti-poverty agency, stimulus funds are helping to address the needs of the significant indigent population in this city. Ann-Marie Karianas, the agency's COO said that as soon as they heard about the stimulus program everyone at the agency started planning for ways that they could put the money to good use. Stimulus funding helped LEO hire a housing search worker to help homeless people in the community and two health advocates to assist parents and their children with health care related needs. Additionally, a day labor program was developed, a teen anti-violence program was created, and a whole new IT infrastructure was put in place. They also started an early Head Start program – and constructed a new building for it – and were able to increase their weatherization program.

"This was a great opportunity to make these programs come into fruition," Ann-Marie said.

### **Recovery Act Impact: Career Centers**

Recovery funds have made it possible to provide services to over **132,000** individuals seeking employment.

Over **663,000** state residents have been able to benefit from the additional Federal Unemployment Compensation.

The Commonwealth received three National Emergency Grants (NEGs) to support close to **1,100** laid-off workers



Providing opportunities for individuals is a central theme of the stimulus program. Two years ago, for example, Krystal McClure was living in a shelter with her then one and a half year-old daughter, and had no job, no training and no prospects. She took a series of stimulus-funded courses at Action for Boston Community Development and received certification that led to a job. Krystal and her daughter are now living in a condo in Franklin Hill and she is pursuing her Associates Degree in Early Childhood Education.



"My whole class studied hard to get these skills so that we could get a job. Many of us were in shelters, and have kids and there are a lot of us who are struggling to get through life like I am," said Krystal. "If it wasn't for the stimulus program, I wouldn't have the skills I needed to get a job."

Over the past two years, nearly 70,000 individuals have received an ARRA-funded paycheck. These are teachers, police officers, road workers, plumbers and people employed in a wide range of social services. They are also people employed at private companies, colleges and universities, non-profit agencies and local governments.

The Recovery program runs across all of state government and across all of the Commonwealth – 90% of Massachusetts cities and towns have stimulus employees living in them. These are just a few of the Recovery Act program stories that illustrate the wide breadth approach that the program has taken and the benefits that have resulted for the people of Massachusetts.





## The Whole Picture – Where your Recovery Dollars are going

(Cumulative through December 31, 2010)

*Note: This table shows a summary of all Recovery Dollars data Massachusetts has collected from state agencies. Information reported to the federal government is shaded in light green. All numbers are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars.<sup>1</sup> For more detailed project and program information, please visit [www.mass.gov/recovery](http://www.mass.gov/recovery).*

Funding Category	Awarded to State Agencies	Total Committed	Expended
<b>Awards Subject to 1512 Reporting to the Federal Government</b>			
<b>Education</b>	2,012,445,000	1,563,220,000	1,167,389,000
<b>Clean Energy &amp; Environment</b>	237,419,000	198,724,000	117,686,000
<b>Housing</b>	115,590,000	114,593,000	81,412,000
<b>Workforce Programs</b>	77,349,000	73,559,000	57,863,000
<b>Public Safety &amp; Homeland Security</b>	42,635,000	38,156,000	33,186,000
<b>Transportation</b>	398,277,000	374,978,000	217,966,000
<b>Safety Net Programs</b>	22,410,000	17,495,000	11,440,000
<b>Technology &amp; Research</b>	90,382,000	50,816,000	38,033,000
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>2,996,506,000</b>	<b>2,431,540,000</b>	<b>1,724,975,000</b>
<b>Awards Not Subject to 1512 Reporting to the Federal Government</b>			
<b>Accountability</b>	12,900,000	8,671,000	6,583,000
<b>Clean Energy &amp; Environment</b>	7,411,000	5,635,000	5,635,000
<b>Housing</b>	110,346,000	109,139,000	73,051,000
<b>Safety Net Programs</b>	3,977,800,000	3,702,228,000	3,699,928,000
<b>Technology &amp; Research</b>	209,000	190,000	190,000
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>4,108,665,000</b>	<b>3,825,863,000</b>	<b>3,785,386,000</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>7,105,171,000</b>	<b>6,257,404,000</b>	<b>5,510,360,000</b>

<sup>1</sup> Totals may not be exact due to rounding. For exact figures, please visit [www.mass.gov/recovery](http://www.mass.gov/recovery).



## The Whole Picture – January 2011 Reporting Period Jobs Impact (October 1 through December 31, 2010)

*Note: This table shows a summary of all Recovery Dollars data Massachusetts has collected from state agencies. Information reported to the federal government is shaded in light green. FTEs are rounded to the nearest whole number<sup>2</sup>. For more detailed project and program information, please visit [www.mass.gov/recovery](http://www.mass.gov/recovery).*

Funding Category	Direct Full Time Equivalent Count (FTEs)	Actual Worker Count
<b>Awards Subject to 1512 Reporting to the Federal Government</b>		
Education	4,504	8,982
Clean Energy & Environment	542	2,813
Housing	220	998
Workforce Programs	136	1,023
Public Safety & Homeland Security	134	644
Transportation	358	2,856
Safety Net Programs	96	477
Technology & Research	199	467
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>18,260</b>
<b>Awards Not Subject to 1512 Reporting to the Federal Government</b>		
Accountability	41	70
Clean Energy & Environment	28	39
Housing	576	2,203
Safety Net Programs	170	496
Technology & Research	1	7
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>2,815</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>7,005</b>	<b>21,075</b>
<b>FMAP Impact on State Government Jobs*</b>		<b>3,800*</b>

\* As previously reported in the first reporting period, this number represents the overall state agency job retentions based on an increase of Federal Medicaid Assistance Percentage (FMAP) state fiscal relief funding from 50% to 61.59% under ARRA.

<sup>2</sup> Totals may not be exact due to rounding. For exact figures, please visit [www.mass.gov/recovery](http://www.mass.gov/recovery).



## Detail on ARRA FTEs and Headcounts – January 2011 Report

Note: All FTE values are rounded to the nearest whole number.<sup>3</sup> For more detailed project and program information, please visit [www.mass.gov/recovery](http://www.mass.gov/recovery).

### Awards Subject to 1512 Reporting to Federal Government

Secretariat	Direct Full-Time Equivalent Count (FTEs)					Actual Worker Count		
	Total	Created	Retained	Govt.	Non-Govt.	Total	Created	Retained
Attorney General	3	0	2	1	2	5	1	4
Administration & Finance	47	21	26	18	29	249	82	167
District Attorneys	14	3	11	14		30	4	26
Education	4,305	995	3,310	4,152	153	7,932	1,533	6,399
Housing & Economic Development	530	190	340	25	505	2,525	921	1,604
Health & Human Services	103	54	49	49	54	485	127	358
Labor & Workforce	133	39	94	41	92	1,012	191	821
Energy and Environment	152	38	115	61	92	1,077	188	889
Public Safety & Security	272	54	218	266	6	1,525	64	1,461
County Sheriffs	4	0	4	4		8	0	8
Transportation	358	178	180	54	304	2,856	949	1,907
Trial Court	1	0	1	1		1	0	1
University of Massachusetts	267	0	267	248	18	555	0	555
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>1,572</b>	<b>4,617</b>	<b>4,935</b>	<b>1,254</b>	<b>18,260</b>	<b>4,060</b>	<b>14,200</b>

### Awards Not Subject to 1512 Reporting to Federal Government

Secretariat/Department	Direct Full-Time Equivalent Count (FTEs)					Actual Worker Count		
	Total	Created	Retained	Govt.	Non-Govt.	Total	Created	Retained
Auditor	1	0	1	1		19	0	19
Attorney General	6	0	6	6		8	0	8
Administration & Finance	18	8	10	17	1	25	13	12
Housing & Economic Development	576	215	361		576	2,203	1,129	1,074
Health & Human Services	1	0	1		1	2	0	2
Labor & Workforce	170	31	139	161	9	495	44	451
Energy and Environment	29	1	28	29		40	1	39
Office of the Comptroller	3	1	2	3		3	1	2
Office of the Treasurer	0	0	0	0		1	0	1
Office of the Inspector General	10	9	1	10		12	9	3
University of Massachusetts	1	0	1	1		7	0	7
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>2,815</b>	<b>1,197</b>	<b>1,618</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>7,005</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>5,168</b>	<b>5,163</b>	<b>1,842</b>	<b>21,075</b>	<b>5,257</b>	<b>15,818</b>

<sup>3</sup> Totals may not be exact due to rounding. For exact figures, please visit [www.mass.gov/recovery](http://www.mass.gov/recovery).





## Beneficiaries

This narrative provides the details of various ARRA program awards that are having a real impact on our citizens every day – over and above the jobs that have been created by Recovery dollars. While many of these initiatives are ones that have existed for several years, the injection of ARRA funds has allowed for the continuation and even expansion of these programs during these hard economic times. The beneficiaries listed below represent citizens across the Commonwealth from neighborhoods in every city and town. The numbers shown are an estimate by each state agency of the beneficiaries impacted so far because of the additional ARRA funds going into these programs. For more detailed project and program information, please visit [www.mass.gov/recovery](http://www.mass.gov/recovery).

### Administration and Finance

Program Highlights	Beneficiaries
<b>Impact on Child Support Incentives (Federal Match) Program</b> run by the Child Support Enforcement Division, within the Department of Revenue, currently services in excess of 200,000 child-support cases.	Over 200,000

### Health and Human Services

Program Highlights	Beneficiaries
<b>Congregate Meals Grant</b> helps provide fresh meals on a statewide basis through a network of 23 community based local Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), which provide a wide range of services to elders and their families.	13,969
<b>Medicaid Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP)</b> allows Massachusetts to avoid what would have been even deeper cuts throughout state government. A large portion of these dollars went towards the maintenance of the MassHealth program to enable the preservation of critical medical services to over 1.2 Million recipients.	Over 1,200,000
<b>Home Delivered Nutrition Services</b> helps elders with nutritional needs to become or remain healthy, independent, and active in their communities.	4,228
<b>Vocational Rehabilitation Services</b> – ARRA funds are used by the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission to support a number of projects designed to assist individuals with disabilities.	2,085
<b>Supplemental Assistance Nutrition Program</b> handled an unprecedented 30% increase in enrollment in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as Food Stamps). Beginning in April 2009, benefit amounts rose by 18% due to federal stimulus funding (resulting in a sizable monthly increase for most families).	770,000
<b>Infants and Families with Disabilities (IDEA)</b> benefits infants and toddlers through age 3 who have or are at risk for developmental delays.	8,098



## Housing

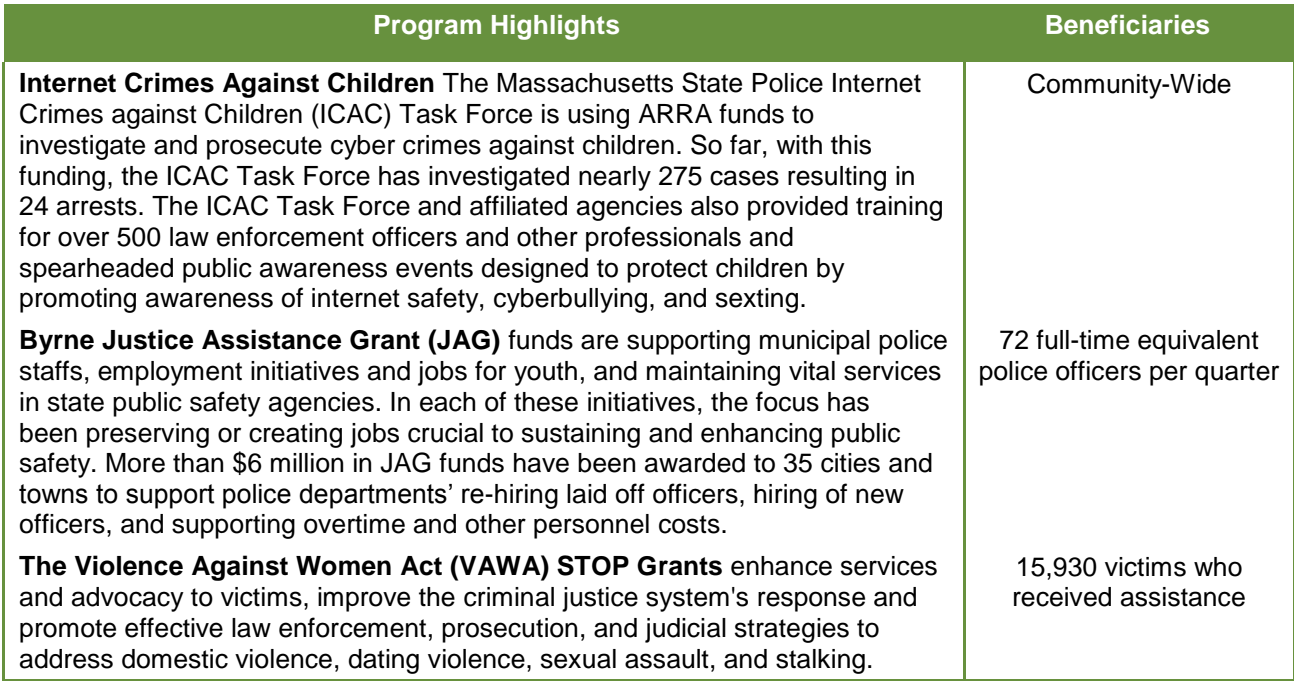
Program Highlights	Beneficiaries
<p><b>Community Development Block Grant</b> for infrastructure improvements and public housing modernization awarded to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses.</p> <p><b>Tax Credit Assistance Program</b> supports Low Income Housing Tax Credit Projects that were stalled due to unfavorable financial market conditions.</p> <p><b>Community Services Block Grants</b> provided assistance to local communities, working through a network of 24 Action Agencies to reduce poverty, revitalize low income communities, and empower low income families and individuals to become fully self-sufficient.</p> <p><b>Weatherization Assistance Program</b> aims to increase the energy efficiency of dwellings occupied by low income persons, reduce their total home energy expenses, and improve their overall health and safety. The program targets particularly vulnerable people such as the elderly, the disabled and low income families with children.</p> <p><b>Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program</b> provides services to individuals or families who are homeless or in danger of becoming homeless, including re-housing assistance, eviction prevention services, and subsidies to help families and individuals move out of shelters and motels.</p>	<p>Community-wide</p> <p>Future residents of housing projects underway 63,812</p> <p>Over 8,500 families living in weatherized homes</p> <p>7,282</p>

## Labor and Workforce Development

Program Highlights	Beneficiaries
<p><b>Federal Additional Unemployment Compensation</b> has allowed over 660,000 individuals from across the Commonwealth to receive an additional \$25 per week benefit compensation as a result of the Recovery Act.</p> <p><b>WIA Recovery Act Title 1 Services for Adult, Dislocated and Youth Workers</b> funds directly benefit low-income individuals of the Commonwealth who qualify under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and received employment and training services. Qualified youth received employment opportunities.</p> <p><b>Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Services</b> benefits employed and unemployed workers seeking to upgrade their skills and obtain jobs, and provides customized services to clients with special needs, including veterans, individuals with disabilities, and unemployment claimants likely to exhaust their benefits.</p>	<p>663,773</p> <p>17,376</p> <p>132,003</p>

## Public Safety

Program Highlights	Beneficiaries
<p><b>State Fiscal Stabilization Fund – Government Services</b> funds were expended to support Massachusetts municipal fire departments impacted by budget cuts that have forced layoffs and also vacancies resulting from attrition. Awards through this program have allowed the Commonwealth to retain 263 firefighters in 85 municipalities.</p>	<p>263 firefighters, benefiting residents of 85 cities &amp; towns</p>



Program Description	Beneficiaries
<p><b>Race to the Top</b> – Massachusetts received the top score on its application for funds from the US Department of Education’s Race to the Top competition. The initiatives in Massachusetts’ application were driven by the core belief that the persistent variation in student outcomes stems from both discrepancies in the quality of curriculum and instruction, and unrelated out-of-school circumstances that can affect a student’s ability to learn. Each element in our proposal is designed to reduce this variation by focusing on improving the quality of teaching and learning each student receives and on providing students and families with the health and human service supports they require. Overall, we aim to achieve four objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attract, develop, and retain an effective, academically capable, diverse, and culturally competent educator workforce to ensure every student is taught by a great teacher and every school and district is led by a great leader</li> <li>2. Provide curricular and instructional resources to provide every educator with the tools necessary to promote and support student achievement</li> <li>3. Concentrate great instruction and supports for educators, students, and families in our lowest performing schools to create the conditions needed for improved student achievement</li> <li>4. Increase dramatically the number of students who graduate from high school ready for college and career</li> </ol> <p>These objectives have garnered widespread support: 276 school districts signed on to Massachusetts’ Race to the Top proposal (70 percent of the 393 districts eligible to sign). These school districts represent 1,375 schools, 74 percent of K-12 public school enrollment, and 88 percent of students in poverty.</p>	<p>Students and educators in 276 school districts</p>





Program Description	Beneficiaries
<p><b>Education Jobs Fund</b> – This grant provided an extra \$204 million in aid to provide assistance to states to save or create education jobs for the 2010-2011 school year.</p> <p><b>School Improvement Grants</b> aim to strengthen State capacity to provide leadership in implementing effective school improvement strategies for local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools that have been identified for improvement, are in corrective action, and are in the restructuring process and (2) providing resources to LEAs to support school improvement activities, including the development and implementation of effective restructuring plans.</p> <p><b>State Fiscal Stabilization Fund – Education Stabilization Fund</b> monies were expended to maintain the fiscal stability of the K-12 and public higher education systems and provide continued support to teachers, administrators, and staff members in school districts and also at our community colleges, state universities, and the University of Massachusetts campuses. In addition, funds were spent (in accordance with guidance issued by the U.S. Department of Education) to address infrastructure needs at these institutions. Most importantly, these funds were expended to maintain and enhance students' access to high-quality educational opportunities in K-12 schools and at our public institutions of higher education.</p> <p><b>Title I, Part A</b> funding improves teaching and learning for students most at risk of failing to meet State academic achievement standards. Grants were awarded to 258 districts that serve 202,166 students who are directly eligible to receive Title I services. Massachusetts has received an additional \$163 million in two types of Title I funding to supplement the \$243 million that the state received in 2009, an increase of 67 percent.</p> <p><b>Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act (IDEA), Part B Pre-School Grants</b> Since the start of the year, grants were awarded to 179 districts that serve 9,000 children who are eligible to receive special education services.</p> <p><b>Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act (IDEA), Part B Grants to States</b> support the provision of special education services to children with disabilities. Grants were awarded to 389 districts that serve approximately 165,000 students who are eligible to receive special education services.</p> <p><b>Child Care Development Fund (CCDF)</b> assistance benefits youth who received the summer learning vouchers, their parents who retained work as a result of having these vouchers, and the staff members who were employed because their programs received these vouchers.</p> <p><b>USDA Child Nutrition Recovery Act</b> serves 114 schools in 31 districts, serving a total enrollment of approximately 60,000 students. These funds were used to purchase new food service equipment for the schools.</p> <p><b>USDA Child Nutrition Programs – Elementary and Secondary Education</b> grants were awarded to four local community food banks that serve approximately 750 local food pantries and soup kitchens throughout the state.</p>	<p>Students and educators in 258 districts</p> <p>12 schools that have been awarded “turnaround grants”</p> <p>Students and educators at all levels statewide – K-12, state universities and community colleges and the University of Massachusetts</p> <p>Students and educators in 258 districts</p> <p>Students and educators in 179 school districts</p> <p>Students and educators in 389 districts</p> <p>17,563</p> <p>Students and educators in 31 districts</p> <p>4 community food banks, serving 750 food pantries</p>



## Transportation

Program Description	Beneficiaries
<b>ARRA transportation projects</b> are improving the roadways, transit systems, pedestrian/bike and ferry facilities, throughout each of the Commonwealth's 14 counties. The highway projects include 95 roadway and bridge improvement projects. Improving the transportation system of the Commonwealth impacts the daily life of our citizens as well as providing the essential infrastructure for commerce.	Community-wide

## Energy and Environment

Program Description	Beneficiaries
<b>USFS Native Species Ecological Restoration Grant</b> benefits residents of Worcester and Berkshire counties in Massachusetts by detecting and eradicating the destructive Asian Long-horned Beetle and other invasive insect species that destroy trees and other vegetation.	Residents of Worcester and Berkshire counties
<b>State Energy Program</b> aims to provide leadership to maximize the benefits of energy efficiency and renewable energy in Massachusetts. The Department of Energy Resources is working to substantially increase solar energy resources in state facilities, as well as to reduce energy waste and increase renewable energy projects across the Commonwealth. This program includes \$8 million in rebates for over 100 private solar projects.	Community-wide
<b>Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants</b> will advance clean energy technology and energy efficiency goals at the community level. This will include both funding to assist with energy efficiency projects and to provide technical assistance to municipalities.	Community-wide
<b>The Leaking Underground Storage Tank</b> program will provide Massachusetts with funds for the remediation of known storage tanks buried underground that are or have been compromised and are leaking petroleum into the environment. Leaking tanks pose threats to drinking water and surface water in the immediate area of the tank as well as to the larger surrounding environment as pollution spreads. Communities affected by this grant include Dorchester, Grafton, Holyoke, Lawrence, Malden, Mattapan, Middlefield, Rehoboth, Shutesbury and Wrentham.	Community-wide